

1 U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA

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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

8 BRIE A. HOUSTON,)
9 Plaintiff,) CIVIL NO. 2:18-cv-00278-BAT
10 vs.) ORDER FOR EAJA FEES AND
11) EXPENSES
12 COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,)
13 Defendant.)

14 THIS MATTER having come on regularly before the undersigned upon Plaintiff's
15 Motion to Award EAJA Fees and Expenses, and the Court agreeing that EAJA fees and
16 expenses should be awarded, good cause having been shown, now, therefore, it is hereby

17 ORDERED that Plaintiff is hereby awarded EAJA fees of \$7,834.83 and expenses
18 in the sum of \$8.54. Subject to any offset allowed under the Treasury Offset Program, as
19 discussed in *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 130 S. Ct. 2521, 560 U.S. __ (2010), payment of this award
20 shall be sent to Plaintiff's attorney Eitan Kassel Yanich at his address: Eitan Kassel
21 Yanich, PLLC, 203 Fourth Avenue E., Suite 321, Olympia, WA. 98501.
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1 After the Court issues the order for EAJA fees and expenses, the Commissioner will
2 consider the matter of Plaintiff's assignment of EAJA fees and expenses to Plaintiff's
3 attorney. Pursuant to *Astrue v. Ratliff*, the ability to honor the assignment will depend on
4 whether the EAJA fees and expenses are subject to any offset allowed under the Treasury
5 Offset Program. The Commissioner agrees to contact the Department of Treasury after the
6 order for EAJA fees and expenses is entered to determine whether the EAJA fees and
7 expenses are subject to any offset. If the EAJA fees and expenses are not subject to any
8 offset, the EAJA attorney's fees and expenses will be paid directly to plaintiff's attorney
9 Eitan Kassel Yanich, either by direct deposit or by check payable to him and mailed to his
10 address.

11 DATED this 10th day of May, 2019.

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14 BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA
Chief United States Magistrate Judge

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16 Presented by:

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18 S/EITAN KASSEL YANICH
19 EITAN KASSEL YANICH, WSBA #13690
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